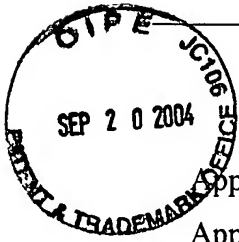


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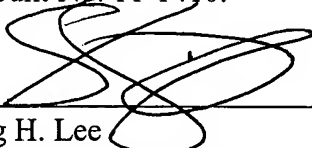
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 17, 2004, Applicant elects the invention defined by the Examiner as Group 1, corresponding to Claims 1-13 and 21 without prejudice to withdrawn Claims 14-20 (Group 2). This election is made without traverse. The Applicant reserves the right to pursue any non-elected claims in one or more divisional or continuation applications. Accordingly, prompt examination on the merits of at least the elected claims is respectfully requested.

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